

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

On page 13 of the specification, please replace the paragraph spanning lines 4 to 8 with the following amended paragraph:

The SLR method does not depend on the presence of a high level of homology between polynucleotides to be shuffled. The invention can be used to non-stochastically generate libraries (or sets) of progeny molecules comprised of over 10^{100} [[10100]] different chimeras. Conceivably, SLR can even be used to generate libraries comprised of over 10^{1000} [[101000]] different progeny chimeras.